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WAS JUSTICE DONE?

HOCKEY SUSPENSIONS INVESTIGATED

by Andy Faust

On Jan. 10, following a hockey game with the Medicine Hat College Badgers in Medicine Hat, six Viking athletes broke curfew and went to a party at an M.H.C. residence. The repercussions of what happened that night were felt throughout CLC's administration and sparked, in effect, a management crisis. How the situation was handled is significant, because the implications of it may in the future pertain not only to hockey players on the road but also to other students. The entire incident can be seen as part of the growing pains which this institution is currently going through.

WHAT HAPPENED

Apparently, after leaving their hotel and stopping briefly at a nearby bar, the players joined a party at an M.H.C. residence. There, after the arrival of Medicine Hat hockey players who insisted that the Camrose guys leave, an altercation occurred and property was damaged. The Camrose players were consequently chased away from the party. The incident involved four actions which can be considered infractions of school policy: breaking of curfew, consumption on alcohol, damage of property, and fighting. The

only area of these four which each of the six players in question have participated in is the breaking of curfew.

In delay with the situation, the immediate authorities, coach Mike Johnston and Phys. Ed. Divisional Chairman Gail Amort-Larson, acted in accordance with the hockey team guidelines and CLC's Athletic Code. The hockey team guidelines prohibit any use of alcohol on a road trip and attendance at bars or parties a day before a game (the Vikes played again on January 11); the guidelines further prescribed a \$25 fine for the offending player, who is not allowed to dress for the next game. The Athletic Code mentions the breaking of curfew and the damaging of property, although the penalties are at the discretion of the Athletic Department. The Department did act, and penalized each player with fines and suspensions which were felt to be appropriate for what each player had done.

Because some of the disciplinary action was discretionary, and because the Athletic Dept. is accountable to the Dean's Office, the matter was brought to the Dean's attention. On January 18 he consulted with President Johnson, who was in Arizona. The President and Dean felt that

the events in Medicine Hat fell under the "General Behaviour Expectations" section of the college calendar (page 83). They then decided that all six players would be suspended from the team. It was at this point that an article about these things appeared in the Camrose Canadian.

NO APPEAL BOARD EXISTED

The players, quite naturally, wanted to appeal the decision. It is the right of every CLC student to have an appeal heard if such is requested. The President then noted that no appeal board existed for the situation. The two appellate bodies of the college, the Judicial Committee and the Academic Appeals Committee, are for appeals in the areas of student life and of academic regulations respectively. There was no appeal board for a decision of the President.

The President was forced to improvise a special ad hoc committee on his own authority. The committee which was created, consisting of the President, the Dean, a faculty member, another staff member, and a student, acted in two capacities. On one hand it was an investigative hearing

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WINTER CARNIVAL UNDERWAY

SNOW ROYALTY

Selecting Snow Royalty perpetuates a tradition that people can rule over the rigors of cruel long winters. Contestants begin by auditioning their talents in music, drama, comedy or leadership. An impartial panel selects finalists who receive very royal treatment. Following a talent night where these aspirants show their stuff, all students may cast ballots for the ones they believe can best banish the winter.

In addition to the fun and entertainment of auditions and pageant, finalists receive gifts and a banquet.

CORONATION & FACULTY FOLLIES

The coronation is a special ceremony in which past royalty crown a new Snow King and Queen as well as a Snow Prince and Princess. Then a lively evening's entertainment is provided by the faculty. "Follies" is a madcap look at college life, featuring many faculty members.

SNOW GOLF

Each house may enter 3 mixed teams (one male and one female

per team). Teams play the course in foursome using a hockey stick and tennis ball. The course consists of 9 holes which extend from the campus on to Jubilee Park. Regardless of weather conditions, Snow Golf is both exciting to play and to watch.

ANTI-GRAVITY TOBOGGAN RACE

Sixteen participants from each house form four "teams" to represent the house. Two teams have three men "pullers and one woman "rider". Two teams have three women "pullers" and one man "rider". This event takes the form of a relay toboggan up one of the gentle slopes at Jubilee Park, then ride back down.

As each house has only one toboggan, the action comes thick and fast. Like, there are really 32 "teams" out on the hill with only 8 toboggans. The race has its ups and downs, but then that is part of the fun.

SNOW SCULPTURE

Every year there are some events that are just a battle of wits. Snow Sculpture is one of these esteemed events. A house with good imagination, carefully planning

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EVENTS SCHEDULE

Saturday, February 8

4:00 p.m. SNOW SCULPTURE JUDGING (I.M.)

Sunday, February 9

7:30 p.m. SNOW KING & SNOW QUEEN FINALIST TALENT NIGHT (Voting for King and Queen to follow)

Monday, February 10

4:00 p.m. CROSS COUNTRY SKIING (I.M.)

Tuesday, February 11

4:00 p.m. TOBOGGAN RACE (I.M.)
8:00 p.m. CORONATION AND FACULTY FOLLIES
Wednesday, February 12

9:00 p.m. - CURLING (I.M.)
11:00 p.m.

Thursday, February 13

4:00 p.m. SNOW GOLF (I.M.)

Friday, February 14

9:00 p.m. SNOW DANCE

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to enable each player involved to tell his story. It was because of this reason that the President and Dean sat on the committee. The committee was also intended, however, to deal with the appeal of the President's initial decision; so to be fair, neither the President nor the Dean voted. The decision of the committee, made while all its members were present, was to suspend the players from the remaining regular season games, while allowing them to practice with the team and participate in the play-offs. The committee's power was only one of recommendation to the decision maker, in this case the President who then followed the recommendation. A similar procedure is followed by both the Judicial Committee and Academic Appeals Committee.

WAS THE PROCESS JUST?

Since the people and circumstances around every case where College rules are violated are different, it should not be surprising that what happened in Medicine Hat lacked a precedent. With this kept in mind, along with the fact that the appeal request came at an organizational blind spot, it can be asked how just the process was.

The situation was not handled badly, although it was by no means perfect. Internal communication within the administration could

have been better. The consequences of specific actions should be definite and written out, where they are not already. Everyone who is responsible for a college team or club should agree to these regulations and ensure that they are consistent with other school policies. Also, temporary suspensions might have been given out pending an interview with each player by the President and Dean, after which the President's initial decision could have been reached. This hearing could also have met with a representative of the athletic department, who could have elaborated on why the department took the disciplinary action that it did. In this way, the President and Dean could have avoided being part of a later appeals committee, although they undoubtedly strove for fairness by refraining from voting.

WERE THE PENALTIES JUST?

This question, though easy to ask, is difficult to answer. Several principles are involved. One is the extent to which road trips are comparable to residency. Although there are similarities in the way in which the two are thought of, there are differences, with the life of any athlete on the road being far more restricted than a student in residence. If it is inconsistent that the athlete's \$25.00 fine for drinking is less than the \$50.00 one for

students in residence, it is only because the lower fine has not kept up with inflation. If the same first offence were to happen in the dorms which happened in Medicine Hat, the participants would very probably not be expelled.

Another principle which applies here is the College's idea that discipline should be a learning experience for the student. This is why the suspended players will be allowed to be with the team in the play-offs. It was felt that it is not fair to someone who has invested time and energy throughout the year in a College sponsored extra-curricular activity to lose all he or she has worked for because of one mistake. The penalties were equal for all players because of the belief that a student is not only responsible for his own actions in total but also for the actions in part of others whom he is with.

To make a perfect decision in this case, a person would have to have known the exact actions and motives of the players, all other pertinent College policies, and the past history of how discipline has been administered. This is a huge task, and the special committee must have tried its best to see justice done. The players involved did make full restitution for the property damage.

As has been stated before, the incident in Medicine Hat hit an administrative blind spot of this institution. The situation could have been handled better, but fairness to the players was the overriding goal. If this goal was not reached with perfection, it is hard to expect that it would be under the circumstances. The players are being penalized, and what they and the entire hockey team need now is our support during this final stretch of the season and the upcoming play-offs.

If there is any good to come out of this whole episode, it is that Administration has made covering this blind spot an absolute priority. The implication of this will likely not only affect an appellate procedure for a decision that is made directly by the President, but also will be applicable for choir and drama road trips as well as those of athletic teams. The final result should be better internal communication by every department and division on this campus, and also greater consistency in spelled out policies and regulations so that anyone, whether student or staff, will know at any given time where he or she is at.

SLOW DAY FOR OPEN HOUSE

by Kelly Kusznier

The 1986 Open House at CLC was, by most indications, a success. The sum total of 234 guests on campus were the first Open House group this year to tour and get a glimpse of our degree-granting College in our 75th Anniversary year.

Though the number of guests that attended Open House this year is somewhat diminished over past years, Erhard Pinno wasn't daunted. "There seems to be a trend leaning to that direction to begin with. So these smaller numbers are to be expected. However, numbers alone aren't any indication of good or bad 'outcomes.'"

One of the reasons one might attribute to a diminished visitor population (432 in 1984) is that this is CLC's 75th anniversary. With all the celebrations and events of this Year of Jubilee it is hard to decide which event to attend and which not to.

Then the travelling here is a problem by itself. Some families were here from as far north as Bonnyville, Alberta, as far south as Calgary, and east as far as Marengo, Saskatchewan. Driving for a minimum of four hours can itself be an effort. This past weekend driving would have been especially difficult in the virtual pea-soup fog.

And for the eligible student in high school, this weekend would have been part of their semester break. Unfortunately, these students need recuperation

time as well and go on vacation.

But, as Erhard Pinno says, "All considered, we did get a fairly good sized crowd." Who knows, we may see all of them back again in the fall.

MITCHELL ENTERTAINS CLC

by Kelly Kusznier

On Tuesday, February 4, 1986, the Camrose Concert Series presented Micheal Mitchell. The Scottish folksinger-musician played to a crowd of some 300 people. Most of that audience consisted of people who knew and remembered the stories in the songs he sang (senior citizens).

Micheal Mitchell is a guitarist, singer, soldier and paratrooper, so it is no wonder his music covers everything from Celtic folk songs to military memorabilia. When he isn't singing his songs of emotion-stirring struggles and pasts, he tells stories of things that happen in his life that have influenced his repertoire and philosophy.

His most recent accomplishment is an album dedicated to the militia called "Lost We Forget". He will be performing at the University of Alberta in two week's time.

VIKES GRIT TEETH AND DIG IN

by Sid Zork

Rumor has it that the CLC Vikings hockey team wasn't rated in the top ten this past week, but why? In Blair MacGregor, they have one of the most consistent puck-stoppers around. I would say he is presently the best goalie in the Canadian College ranks because of the number of shots he turns away each game without losing his composure. Mike Ramsdell is an excellent goalie, but hasn't come close to challenging MacGregor for the number one spot this year. Next year he will get his shot.

On defense, Ted Welsby is the smoothest player on the entire line-up. His ability to rush the puck while rarely getting caught out of position enhances the potent offense of the Vikes. His side kick Ken Lovsin is the fastest player in the ACAC league, which is hailed as the best College hockey league in Canada. Lovsin possesses great skills and is deceptively strong on his skates, as any spectator can vouch when witnessing his punishing body-checks.

Up front Pat Ryan is a top candidate for all-Canadian honors. His feats thus far are MVP for CLC in the Viking Cup as well as all-star center. He has been at the center of much criticism this year. When he hangs onto the puck too long, most of the

time his wingers are too far behind the play because they can't keep up to him (et tu, Ed Clinton). Then there's Rick Dietrich and Dave Kendall with 46 and 34 points respectively. Dietrich is an awesome display of talent while Kendall is a sniper with the ability to go through defenses. The rest of the line-up includes Cockburn, Hamm, Pederson and Brandt and the newly acquired Jarret is a blessing in disguise for coach Johnston. But where is the rest of this potential Canadian Champion club that had Perry Pearn and the Oaks in their shadows at the beginning of this year?

Now, there are certain levels of intelligence one must achieve to remain on a CLC rep. team. If an average of 5.0 isn't maintained by Christmas then the futures of College athletes aren't in jeopardy—their finished. Five players were victims of this and three are sadly missed.

This brings us to the January issue of the Vikings, particularly the volume with Medicine Hat written all over it. My first hand source who was on this road trip revealed the whole story. It wasn't nearly as bad as the rumors that got back to the grounds of CLC. Although charges were dropped, the administration felt it their duty to dwindle the

line-up further by suspending the players involved. I'm not criticizing their decision to be consistent with athletes and students by dealing the same way with both, but I do have some words of my own in regards to this whole situation.

Athletes give up their time and exhaust themselves in the physical demands of their sport. In many ways they have put CLC on the map. Many other athletes become interested in CLC by watching the rep. teams play whether it be in Calgary, Edmonton, or Medicine Hat. CLC's athletic program attracts students from all over western Canada.

The last two losses given to CLC by RDC and NAIT were possibly due to tired legs and breakdowns in the system due to few bodies. With four games left, CLC has to win at least three to steal second place from Mount Royal. It's going to be exciting to see if they can do it again in Calgary this weekend and then trounce Medicine Hat in the last game.

What's more important is if the players on suspension can return with fire in their eyes to strengthen and lead the Vikes to play-off victories. I'm sure the play-offs will be exciting.

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and clever craftsmanship always wins. As all sculptures stand as a monument (until they melt) to the brainpower and artistry of a house, this winter carnival event has to be taken seriously.

HINTS: It is fair to use a super structure of wood or metal (like chicken wire) that is covered with snow. Forms can also be used. Making snow blocks first, then freezing them together to be sculpted or carved is also effective. Cold water, preferably some type fo mist or spray helps snow harden for strength. If colouring is applied to the snow, it should be done just shortly before the judging. Colour has a bad habit of retaining solar heat, causing sculptures to melt even on very cold days.



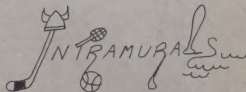
SPORTS TALK

by Gae Mackwood

AWESOME... the basketball Vikes finally won their first game of the season, defeating fifth place Medicine Hat 68-66! Congratulations to all the Vikings on this outstanding team effort. Be sure to support the Vikes and Vikettes in their final home game of the season, Friday, Feb. 21. An intramural poster competition will be held and the noise competition will continue -- the winning house will receive 5 extra large pizzas from Boston Pizza.

CLC Globetrotters? No, the basketball team has not gone professional after beating Medicine Hat, but skiers from CLC have been literally travelling the globe. Kim Grattidge is presently touring the province of Hokkaido in Japan on a cultural exchange. Geret Coyne and Yvonne Visser are off to Norway with the Alberta coach Hans Skinsted for a week, and then on to Sweden to compete in the world championships.

Rolling Stones... The CLC Curling team is also on the road... to the ACAC Championships in Medicine Hat February 7-9. The men's team has at skip, Brent MacDonald, 3rd, Carey Harrison, 2nd, Brad Davidson, lead, Barry Cole. The women's team consists of skip, Caroline Hassall, 3rd, Vanita Eglauer, 2nd, Shauna Yaceyko, lead, Sheila Cannon. The mixed team is skippered by Blaine MacDonald, with Sylvia Raasok and Rod Magee at third and second respectively, and Donna Paulgaard at lead. Congratulations and good luck in Medicine Hat.



by Gae Mackwood

Badminton (from Jan. 22)

Men's singles: Amar Deol (Frey)
Ladies singles: Cheryl Salahub

Mixed doubles: Cheryl Salahub

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Ladies singles: Cheryl Salahub (Thor)

Men's doubles: Ryan Fawcett/
Ernie Shireff (Thor)

Ladies doubles: Cheryl Salahub/
Gae Mackwood (Thor)

Mixed doubles: Ernie & Cheryl (Thor)

Basketball (from Jan. 30)

1. Valhalla

2. Tyr

3. Thor

4. Frey



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Saturday Feb. 8

High school and college cross-country skiers from across the province are invited to a competitive ski weekend.

11:00 a.m.— Senior High, Junior High & College races begin at the Camrose Ski Lodge.

3:00 p.m.— Buffet dinner at the college
Awards presentation

7:30 p.m.— Reception— CLC Convocation Centre
(for Sat. & Sun., participants, coaches and guests).

Entertainment—Videos, dancing,
refreshments for all High School (Jr. & Sr.) participants in the Commons Lounge.

Sunday Feb. 9

7:00 a.m.— Breakfast

8:00 a.m.— Skiers worship service

10:00 a.m.— Ski relays for Junior
High, Senior High & College

1:00 p.m.— Presentation of awards

Ski Gallop— Sun. Feb. 9

This is a fun event for the whole family.
The main objective is to finish the 10 km or 20 km. course.

Skiers start at the Camrose Ski Lodge at 1:30 p.m.

- Moments for all who finish the course.
- Prizes for winners.
- Fun for the whole family.



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